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For: MAGNETIC RESONANCE IMAGING USING MT PULSE OF WHICH
DURATION IS SHORTER

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Attention is drawn to published Japanese Patent Laid-Open Publication No. 11 (1999)-313810 (apparently published November 16, 1999) and an also attached English abstract.

Attention is also drawn to co-pending US patent applications that correspond, at least in part, to the now cited JP '810 publication (wherein the underlying JP application 53884/1998 filed March 5, 1998 was identified albeit priority was not claimed):

USSN 09/293,062, published as US-2002-0188190-A1) filed April 16, 1999
(Now Abandoned)

USSN 10/635,685 (published as US-2004-0059213-A1) filed August 7, 2003 (a division of USSN 09/293,062)

The still pending divisional application 10/635,685 is being examined by Examiner Ruth S. Smith in Art Unit 3737. Prior art cited therein is also identified in the attached Form PTO/SB/08a if not already of record herein.

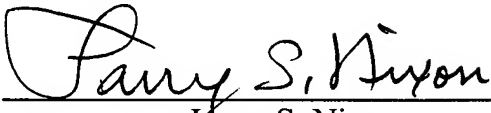
Consideration and citation of this information is respectfully requested.

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